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1. The Kwangtung Military Control Commission has accepted the advice of Soviet military adviser Mo-erh (莫尔) that fortification of the Wanshan Islands (which include all non-British islands in the mouth of the Pearl River and vicinity) must precede the fortification of Boca Tigris.
2. Following are indications of the Communist estimate of the importance of taking and holding this area:
 - a. On 24 June 1950, before the fall of Outer Lingting, TENG Hua, with 30 high-ranking Communists and 10 Soviet advisers, visited Inner Lingting.
 - b. At the beginning of July the Communists were using fishing boats to move troops and heavy guns from Talin (113-16, 22-06) and Hengchin (113-30, 22-07) Islands to reenforce the small outer islands.
 - c. The Communists are beginning to organize fishermen, who were previously ignored, for an active defense of the Kwangtung sea coast and to deprive the guerrillas of their aid.
 - d. In early July, one company of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi (K-K) Column replaced a rural self-defense corps on Santsao (113-22, 22-02), which is guarded by anti-aircraft guns.
 - e. In mid-July, the 2 artillery Battalion installed 18 artillery pieces on Tawanshan (113-43, 21-56), Chuchou (113-47, 21-59), Tungao (113-42, 22-01) and Outer Lingting.
 - f. Large quantities of construction materials, such as cement and steel, were shipped from Huangpu to the islands.
 - g. In mid-July, 500 civilian laborers were hired by the Kwangtung Building and Construction Company on government order and sent to the islands.

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- h. On 13 July, HUNG Hsueh-chih (洪學智), TSING Sheng, No-erh and 30 others inspected the islands and left Soviet technicians to supervise construction work.
- i. The islands' garrison of 3,000 comprises the 1 Independent Regiment of the K-K Column under L.I Ching-fu (雷經夫) and the 3 Regiment under TSING Ping-wen (曹炳文), plus the 1 and 3 Special Detachments, which are made up of captured Nationalist troops.

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